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OBSERVING A SPECIMEN IN A FIELD  
OF VIEW OF AN ELECTRON  
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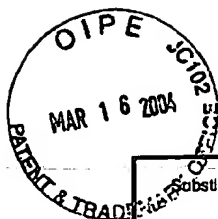
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